

## **AS Level English Language**

**H070/02** Exploring contexts Question Paper

# Wednesday 8 June 2016 – Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

#### You must have:

- the OCR 12-page Answer Booklet (OCR12 sent with general stationery)
- the Resource Booklet

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- · Use black ink.
- Complete the boxes on the front of the Answer Booklet.
- Answer the question in Section A and one question in Section B.
- Write your answer to each question in the Answer Booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- · Do not write in the bar codes.

## **INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- · This document consists of 4 pages.



Answer the question in **Section A** and **one** question in **Section B**.

## SECTION A – Writing about a topical language issue

You are advised to spend about 40 minutes on this section.

'Can those without power use language to gain power?'

Write a magazine article that critically engages with the question above and persuades readers of a particular point of view. Your article should be aimed at a non-specialist, reasonably well-educated audience. You should write about 500 words. [24]

## **SECTION B – Exploring language in context**

Answer Question 2 OR Question 3.

You are advised to spend about 50 minutes on this section.

#### **EITHER**

## 2 Language and Power

Read **Text A** in your **Resource Booklet** and answer the following guestion.

Using appropriate terminology, examine **Text A** in the light of the ways in which power is represented. In your answer you should:

- analyse the relevant language features of the text
- explore how contextual factors and language features construct meanings
- consider the ways in which your understanding of concepts and issues relating to power in language use illuminates the representation of power within the text.

## OR

## 3 Language and Gender

Read **Text B** in your **Resource Booklet** and answer the following question.

Using appropriate terminology, examine **Text B** in the light of the ways in which gender is represented. In your answer you should:

- analyse the relevant language features of the text
- explore how contextual factors and language features construct meanings
- consider the ways in which your understanding of concepts and issues relating to gender in language use illuminates the representation of gender within the text.

## **END OF QUESTION PAPER**

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